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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UK, RH, TZ

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY TO CROSLAND

REF: STATE 7788

1. I AM CONCERNED ABOUT PART OF THE TEXT OF YOUR MESSAGE TO TONY CROSLAND AND WOULD LIKE YOUR AUTHORITY TO MAKE TWO MINOR CHANGES. THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF LONDON 568 WAS AN INTERPRETIVE COMMENT (WHICH WE HAVE MADE BEFORE) AND IT MIGHT NOT BE PRODUCTIVE TO BASE A SECTION OF YOUR LETTER ON SOMETHING DUFF DID NOT SPECIFICALLY SAY. HOWEVER YOUR POINTS ON THE DIFFERENT IMPRESSIONS RICHARD HAS GIVEN EDMONDSON AND DUFF HAS GIVEN US ARE IMPORTANT. AND THE CLARIFICATION ON THE "TACIT ASSUMPTION" I THINK IS USEFUL. MOREOVER, I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE NEED TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT, AS I BELIEVE YOUR LETTER DOES, ON THE QUESTION OF OUR ANNEX C DEALINGS WITH THE BRITISH. I BELIEVE YOUR OBJECTIVES AND MY RESERVATIONS COULD BE SATISFIED IF THE SECOND SENTENCE OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH IS REVISED TO READ: QUOTE INTERPRETATIONS OF RICHARD'S TALKS, AS RECEIVED FROM OUR EMBASSY IN LONDON, APPEAR TO SECRET

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HAVE A DIFFERENT OPTIC FROM RICHARD'S ASSESSMENTS OF THE TALKS, AS CONVEYED DIRECTLY TO EDMONDSON UNQUOTE AND IF THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE NEXT PARAGRAPH IS REVISED TO READ: QUOTE I AM A LITTLE SURPRISED AT THE IMPLICATIONS THAT WE WENT TOO FAR IN OUR UNDERTAKINGS TO SMITH AND VORSTER UNQUOTE.

2. I MAKE THESE SUGGESTIONS PRIMARILY BECAUSE YOUR
MESSAGE IS NOT INTENDED IN A SPIRIT OF RECRIMINATION,
BUT I FEAR IT MAY BE RECEIVED THAT WAY AS IT NOW STANDS.
I AM HOLDING UP ON DELIVERY OF THE LETTER UNTIL YOU
HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER THESE RECOMMENDED
CHANGES.

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